

AMENDED CLAIMS**(Marked up to show changes, 37 C.F.R. §1.121 (c)(1)(ii))**

- 1 9. (Amended) A watercraft lifting apparatus comprising:
2 a buoyant support apparatus comprising a buoyant frame [slidab]yslidably
3 mounted to a fixed frame configured to be fixed to the floor of a body of water; and
4 a lift attached to the buoyant frame, the lift comprising:
5 a generally rectangular base having a longitudinal axis;
6 first and second pairs of booms, each of said first and second pairs of
7 booms having first ends and second opposite ends, said first ends pivotally
8 connected to said base at opposite ends of said longitudinal axis, said first boom
9 including a boom extension projecting from said boom adjacent said pivotal
10 connection to said base such that said pivotal connection to said base is positioned
11 between said second end of said first pair of booms and a distal end of said boom
12 extension;
13 watercraft supports pivotally connected to said second ends of said first
14 and second pairs of booms whereby a four-bar linkage is formed; and
15 an actuator pivotally connected between said first and second pairs of booms and
16 operable for rotating said first and second pairs of booms, a first end of said actuator
17 pivotally connected to said first pair of booms adjacent said distal end of said boom
18 extension and a second end of said actuator pivotally connected to said second pair of
19 booms adjacent said second end of said second pair of booms, whereby said watercraft
20 supports are moved from a first position adjacent said base to a second position spaced
21 away from said base.

1 15. (Amended) A watercraft lifting apparatus comprising:
2 a buoyant support apparatus; and
3 a lift attached to the buoyant support apparatus, the lift comprising:
4 a generally rectangular base formed of two longitudinal beams joined at
5 each end by first and second transverse beams;
6 a first pair of booms comprising first and second booms each having first
7 and second opposite ends,
8 a boom extension projecting from said first ends[;], and
9 pivots adjacent said first ends for pivotally connecting said first and
10 second booms to a respective one of said longitudinal beams adjacent said first
11 transverse beam;
12 a second pair of booms having first and second opposite ends, said first
13 ends pivotally connected to a respective one of said longitudinal beams adjacent
14 to said second transverse beam;
15 a plurality of watercraft supports pivotally connected to said second ends
16 of said first and second pairs of booms; and
17 an actuator having a first end pivotally connected between said second
18 ends of said [-second]second pair of booms and said base, and a second end
19 pivotally connected adjacent to a distal end of said boom extension, said actuator
20 operable for rotating said first and second pairs of booms.